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Consumption comes like a thief in the night. The victim is unconscious, never dreaming of its dreaded presence. Some little door or window of the system has been left unlocked and the frightful visitor has stolen in. If the house of life had been well guarded it never would have happened. Consumption can be kept out just as well as any other disease can—if you strengthen up the weak places of the system and keep them strong. When the system begins to show signs of poor, weak, impoverished blood; when digestion fails and weight goes down from the normal standard, then is the time to be anxious and slide the bolts against the dangerous disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery fills the blood with the life-giving red corpuscles which vitalize the entire circulation. It builds up wasted tissue; nourishes the nerves; rounds out sunken cheeks and emaciated forms; brings back appetite and digestion, sound sleep and strong healthy vitality. It does not make flabby fat like cod liver oil, but solid muscular flesh and nerve force.

THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY PATRIOTIC LEAGION IN THE INAUGURAL. [Staunton Spectator Vindicator.] There was one novel spectacle; it was a band of men wearing gray hats and gray macintoshes said to have once been in the Confederate army. In front of them was a band on whose drum was the name "Stonewall," and riding in front of the band a gray-haired gentleman who said once to have commanded the "Stonewall Brigade," a famous body of infantry in the Confederate army.

The musical feature of this particular part was good but the Shenandoah Valley Patriotic League of Confederate Veterans, which is the name under which they marched, was a sorry set to behold. They had not all seen the Confederate army, in fact some were not within the Confederate lines during the war, but the most of them had gone to the inaugural to show and did show, that "while 'er the lamp holds out to burn, the vilest inner may return." These were doves returned to the ark, but not in such quantities as had been advertised. Not over one hundred and twenty, including all the fakes they had dressed for the occasion, were on hand, and it is to be hoped that not one except the general commanding was ever in the Stonewall Brigade.

The first thing that happened to these veterans was when the parade started, that they were about to be placed in the rear of a negro organization. Why they objected to this no one seems to know, but they objected and trouble brewed for awhile. The negroes of course were then relegated to the rear and they objected and very naturally, —But Sambo, who had always been loyal, had to take a back seat, while the "Old Confed" on whom the light of loyalty had only recently burst was put in front. When favors are distributed, if ever Sambo will find himself again relegated to the rear. —How glad the President must have been when he saw the efforts of his friend Funkhouser, of Rockingham, who is said to have originated this idea, and who wants for his trouble only the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General's place or any other place Mr. McKinley has to bestow.

[Warren Register.] True patriots we, for by it understood. We're out for office and ought else that's good. Never have we blushed for old Virginia in general, and for the dear old Shenandoah Valley in particular, as we did while witnessing the passage of that representative!!! body of men who marched in the McKinley inaugural parade under the misnomer of "The Patriotic Legion of the Shenandoah Valley."

Few in numbers, rough in appearance, and absolutely without military regulation, they waddled up the avenue, as a Washington lady expressed it, "like the rear guard of Custer's army." The gray macintoshes in which they were uniformed!!! were singularly unbecoming, and having been used as sleeping gowns for a few nights were filled with creases and looked like unwashed sack. The whole gang wearing a kind of "they had seen better days" appearance. An examination of the personnel of this Legion!!! revealed the fact that ex-Confederate soldiers (of which it was supposed to be chiefly composed) were not represented even at the rate of 16 to 1, and that nearly every one of the

The Grandest Remedy. Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business, and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at E. L. Allen's Drug Store.

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Patriots!!! had some political axe to grind, some fat office he longed to fill.

We have no objection to our republican friends making every effort they can to secure places under the new administration, as we believe in the theory that to the victor belongeth the spoils, but we think they should spare the shame of such an exhibition as that of inauguration day. The Patriotic Legion as a public display was a rank failure, but as a grand aggregation of the office seekers of the Shenandoah Valley was an unqualified success.

[Shepherdstown Register.] Many bands, with gorgeous drum majors, interspersed the procession, and they blew and blew and blew. Perhaps the most brilliant uniforms of all were those worn by the celebrated and once highly regarded "Stonewall Band," of Staunton. They led the "Patriotic Legion," supposed to be composed of the ex-Confederates from the Shenandoah Valley. It was a rather sheepish looking crowd of a hundred or so men, clad in gray macintoshes—some of which looked as though they had been slept in—led by the Rev. A. P. Funkhouser. This was part of the same crowd that went on the deadhead excursion to Canton before the election. They didn't cut much ice. It is said that nearly all of them were office seekers—out of date politicians and renegades from their party. Funkhouser himself hopes to get something fat for his political maneuvers.

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C. M. ADAMS. Owing to the great demand for our Men's White Laundry Shirts at 75c and \$1, a few numbers have been sold out and we are promised all sizes by Saturday morning, March 20. We cannot blame the gentlemen for demanding this social attribute.

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